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11. Unclassified - entire text.

12. Following a November 26 meeting between Diplomatic Security agents from the New York Field Office (DS/NYFO) and the security officer of the Cuban Mission to the UN to discuss further the NYPD's plan to remove the Mission's fixed post protection, DS/NYFO indicated that the Cubans would likely send USUN a note verbale registering their concern. That note (no. 6185 of 11/27/07) has now arrived. Text follows in paragraph 3. Reftel reports similar concerns of the Palestine Observer Mission.

13. Begin Text: (Complimentary salutation)...and has the honor to convey its concern at the measure taken by the Diplomatic Security Service and the New York Police Department with regard to the partial removal of police protection of the Cuban Mission to the United Nations.

In this regard, the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations would like to recall the serious precedents of hostile actions committed against our Mission and officials, some of which I have the honor to mention herein:

- The assassination of the Cuban Mission official Felix Garcia Rodriguez, on 11 September 1980.
- Repeated incidents at the entrance door of the Cuban Mission, including the chaining of such door by counterrevolutionary persons.
- Systematic and even violent demonstrations against our Mission.
- Freedom granted by the US authorities to Orlando Bosch, Luis Posada Carriles and others who have confessed their participation in terrorist acts against Cuba.

The Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations wishes to stress the responsibility regarding the security of the Mission of Cuba to the United Nations, that the United States authorities incur in (sic) with this new measure taken. (Complimentary close). End text.

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